

# **Job Description Form**

# Senior Improvement and Communications Consultant

# **Education Business Services**

Position number 00038246

Agreement Public Sector CSA Agreement 2022 or as replaced

Classification Level 6

Reports to Manager, Office of Education Business Services (Level 8)

Direct reports Nil

#### Context

The Office of Education Business Services (EBS):

- provides strategic advice on procedural and transactional matters and ensures the effective operation of the administrative infrastructure that supports the Deputy Director General EBS' transactional responsibilities
- is responsible for ensuring executive processes and responses are efficient and effective
- is a conduit between the Office of EBS and the executive teams of Corporate Executive and the EBS Executive Leadership Group
- develops and manages the EBS business and people plans to ensure the division remains focused on delivering outcomes:
  - for Our customers through maintaining and improving positive relationships, and by enabling managers corporate services, allied professionals and principals to focus on the core priorities of their jobs.
  - for Our people by investing in and planning for a diverse and inclusive workforce who feel safe and engaged at work, with a clear understanding of our EBS service delivery principles and how our services support the Department's commitment to improving student outcomes.
  - through Our systems and processes by improving a number of critical business processes, and ensuring high-quality data-driven governance and risk management.
- coordinates programs to enhance the capability and capacity of EBS and school corporate services staff, including the EBS graduate program.

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#### **Key responsibilities**

#### **Specialist Services**

- Develop, coordinate, manage and monitor the EBS Business Plan and support the development of EBS divisional business plans.
- Contribute to the planning and project management of business reforms, capability building and service improvement initiatives.
- Coordinate and monitor EBS business continuity plans and risk mitigations.
- Plan, implement and evaluate content for the intranet (Ikon) platform and other communications, providing specialist advice and support to EBS business areas.
- Ensure communications are compliant with Department policy, procedures and standards.
- Contribute to the development and implementation of business process mapping and service improvement frameworks to facilitate development of work systems, policies, governance processes and tools.
- Develop and implement evaluation frameworks on performance metrics and customer feedback to support business and communication improvement.

## **Project Management and Office Support**

- Contribute to the operations the Office of EBS.
- Influence EBS' strategic directions and business plans by having awareness of best practice, trends and issues concerning the core functions of the office.
- Coordinate and manage continuous improvement projects related to school-level and system-level requirements to improve service delivery to customers.
- Build strategic alliances with customers, stakeholders and interest groups to enable development, acceptability and achievement of designated outcomes and to promote service capabilities.
- Develop plans and systems to support/enable/monitor achievement of the EBS vision and imperatives in alignment with its objectives.
- Provide support for EBS staff in the development and implementation of capability building strategies.
- Support EBS business areas with the development of communications content and materials, training and events.
- Contribute to a work environment that is safe, fosters equity and diversity, enables the
  achievement of personal and organisational goals and facilitates accomplishment of
  designated roles and deliverables.
- Monitor and report on compliance with relevant policies, procedures and standards of the Department and statutory requirements such as the Financial Management Act, Treasurer's Instructions and Public Sector Standards.

# **Customer and Stakeholder Management and Liaison**

- Provide advice to stakeholders, including senior management, on business reform programs and service improvement initiatives and issues.
- Collaborate with, and provide information to, stakeholders on communications and business reform matters and processes.
- Engage with stakeholders to evaluate systems, tools and staff capacity to implement change initiatives and deliver improved service outcomes.
- Develop and maintain effective communication links and working relationships with key internal and external stakeholders to ensure access to diverse specialist knowledge.
- Maintain a strong focus on customer service delivery and continuous improvement of services.



#### Selection criteria

- 1. Demonstrated highly developed skills and substantial experience in writing a variety of communications for a range of purposes and audiences.
- 2. Demonstrated highly developed research, analytical and problem-solving skills, including the ability to identify potential improvements to services and processes and successfully implement change.
- 3. Demonstrated highly developed verbal communication and interpersonal skills to effectively liaise with key internal and external stakeholders and to build strong relationships.
- 4. Demonstrated highly developed planning and organisation skills, including a proven ability to identify priorities and meet deadlines.
- 5. Demonstrated highly developed project management skills, including project planning, coordination, implementation and evaluation.

## Eligibility and training requirements

Employees will be required to:

- consent to a Nationally Coordinated Criminal History Check and obtain a current Screening Clearance Number issued by the Department of Education's Screening Unit prior to commencement of employment
- complete the Department's induction program within 3 months of commencement
- complete any training specific to this role required by Departmental policy
- complete the Department's training in Accountable and Ethical Decision-Making within 6 months of appointment and every 3 years thereafter
- complete the Department's Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultural awareness online course within 3 months of commencement.

#### Certification

The details contained in this document are an accurate statement of the responsibilities and other requirements of the position.

#### **ENDORSED**

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